

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed on November 3, 2006 was a restriction requirement. The pending claims, 20-38, were withdrawn from consideration.

A response to the Office Action was filed on December 4, 2006, along with an Information Disclosure Statement. Subsequently, the undersigned had a telephone discussion with the Examiner, in which the Examiner stated that the amendments in the paper of December 4, 2006 would not be entered. The Examiner stated, however, that if a Request for Continued Examination were filed, that he would consider new claims.

Enclosed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination, and another Information Disclosure Statement that cites additional references.

New claims 39-51 herein replace the claims in the response filed on December 4, 2006. All of the prior claims are cancelled.

The Examiner should have two Information Disclosure Statements to consider. A first Information Disclosure Statement was filed on July 17, 2006. A second Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.

Please direct questions or comments to the undersigned at (408) 207-1323.

Respectfully submitted,

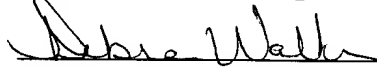


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